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Minutes 06/08/2011

TOWN OF ARLINGTON
BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, June 8, 2011
7:00 p.m.

Present: Ms. Rowe, Chair, Mr. Greeley, Vice Chair, Mrs. Mahon and Mr. Dunn

Absent: Ms. LaCourt

Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Rice and Mrs. Krepelka

1. Discussion: Town Meeting Warrant Articles

Ms. Rowe thanked the residents of Arlington for voting for the Override. Mr. Dunn also thanked everyone and stated that "as good as this is, this is not the end - our budget problems do not just go away".

Article 31 - Home Rule Legislation/Group Insurance Commission

Mr. Sullivan stated that he recommends no action at this time. After lengthy negotiations, the Town has reached agreement with several employee groups to implement significant health care changes.

Mr. Dunn moved no action.

SO VOTED (5-0)

Article 34 - Vote/Pay As You Throw (PAYT) Trash Collection Program

Peter Howard, member of the Pay As You Throw Committee appeared before the Board to ask for their support for this article and Resolution. Mr. Howard stated what the significant financial benefits would be for the Town, also the experience in other municipalities.

Mr. Dunn stated that he supports the PAYT program. He believes the spirit of the override commitment means that we cannot start a new revenue program during the length of the commitment. He said that he was interested in bringing it up as a revenue-neutral option on the ballot in April, but that the current warrant article should be no action.

Mr. Greeley agreed with all the benefits that the Town would receive, but could not support the article at this time. He thanked Mr. Howard for the committee's hard work and looked forward to working with the committee in the future.

Mrs. Mahon had many questions she would like answered at a later date. She is concerned with the letter from Christine Connelly stating that we would need to hire additional staff to implement PAYT. Mr. Howard stated that Carolyn Dann, Mass. Dept. of Environmental Protection, and Ryan Ferrara answered all those questions when they appeared before the Board when the warrant article was first heard. Ms. Rowe stated she also was having difficulty not supporting this article, but could not vote favorably after passing the Override yesterday.

Mrs. Mahon moved no action.

SO VOTED (4-0)

Article 35 - Bylaw Amendment/Trash Removal

Mr. Greeley moved no action.

SO VOTED (4-0)

New Business

Mrs. Krepelka asked the Board to look at the Re-precincting map on their desk and please have all requests for Monday, June 13th. She stated that Adam Chapedelaine and Adam Kurowski, GIS Manager, have worked very hard on these maps. After some discussion that Board agreed to vote on Map A which has the least amount of changes.

Gail Dubois, a member of the Re-districting Committee, asked if we had a chance to find out how this affects any members of the Finance Committee. Ms. Rowe stated she thought it involves at least 5 present Town Meeting members, she being one, that would be in a different precinct, but the Committee did not look at the Finance Committee members.

Ms. Rice stated if the Board decides to accept the Secretary of State draft map, she will inform the Secretary's office tomorrow (June 9th) and ask the office to send us the map in final version. A vote must be taken on Monday, June 13th to finalize the vote.

Mrs. Mahon moved to reconvene to 1st floor Town Hall at 7:40 P.M.

SO VOTED (4-0) A true record:

Marie A. Krepelka
Board Administrator

ARLINGTON BOARD OF SELECTMEN MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8, 2011 7:45 P.M.

Present: Ms. Rowe, Mr. Greeley, Mr. Dunn. Mrs. Mahon

Also present: Mr. Sullivan, Ms. Rice

1. Article 34 Recycling/Pay as You Throw
Moved no action by Mr. Dunn, seconded by Mr. Greeley. SO VOTED (4-0)
2. Article 31 - GIC Resolution
Moved no action by Mrs. Mahon, seconded by Mr. Greeley, SO VOTED (4-0)

Meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

A true record:

Diane Mahon
Selectman